GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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LPG CONNECTIONS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the application for new LPG connection both domestic and commercial pending with various oil companies in each State particularly in Kerala, as on June 30,2007;

(b) the measures being taken to clear these pending applications;

(c) whether the application for second cylinder is not being entertained by the oil companies in the States for a long time;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time limit by which such requests are expected to be entertained?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOC) has reported a waiting list of 64934 in the country, including 31974 in Kerala, as on 30.06.2007 for release of new domestic LPG connections with their LPG distributors due to inadequate supply of cylinders by the cylinder manufacturers. The State-wise waiting list for release of new domestic LPG connections as on 30.6.2007 is annexed.

There is no waiting list pending with the public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs) for release of new LPG commercial connections as on 30.6.2007.

(b): Intimation letters have been sent to all the waitlisted persons as on 30.6.2007 for availing new LPG connections. Advertisements have also been released in local and national newspapers of the States advising the public that they should approach the distributors for availing the same. Further, Government has advised IOC to make alternate arrangements for supply of cylinders through other suppliers on a priority basis.

(c): No, Sir.

(d) & (e) Does not arise in view of (c) above.